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**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: Application of: Robert F. Kaiko, et al.  
Serial No.: Not yet assigned  
Filed: Herewith  
For: **OPIOD AGONIST/OPIOID ANTAGONIST/  
ACETAMINOPHEN COMBINATIONS**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

November 5, 2001

Sir:

Applicants request that the following Amendments be made in the above-identified matter:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

On page 1, after the title of the invention, beginning at line 5, please **amend** the paragraph as follows:

--This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/503,020 filed February 11, 2000, which is a continuation in part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/218,662, now U.S. Patent No. 6,277,384, issued on August 21, 2001, which claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/068,480, filed December 22, 1997, hereby incorporated by reference.--

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please **cancel** claims 2, 4-5, and 33.